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OPGS News

Free Service for Nonprofits. *The Mayor's Office of Partnerships and Grant Services (OPGS)* provides nonprofit and government representatives with funding information at its Grants Information Resource Center (GIRC). This computer center provides access to funding databases, as well as the Internet. Staff is available to provide information on additional resources. The GIRC is located at John A. Wilson Building, 1350 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW, Suite 324. To schedule an appointment, contact Eric McIntrye at (202) 727-8900.

Federal Opportunities

Brownfields Assessment Grants. *Environmental Protection Agency (EPA)* announces funds to prevent, inventory, assess, clean up, and reuse brownfield sites. EPA provides brownfields funding for three types of grants: 1) Brownfields Assessment Grants provide funds to inventory, characterize, assess, and conduct planning (including cleanup planning) and community involvement related to brownfield sites; 2) Brownfields Revolving Loan Fund (RLF) Grants capitalize a revolving fund to make loans and provide subgrants to carry out cleanup activities at brownfield sites; and 3) Brownfields Cleanup Grants provide funds to carry out cleanup activities at a specific brownfield site owned by the applicant.

Eligibility: State governments, nonprofits, and for-profit organizations.

Deadline: November 14, 2009.

Funds: \$37,500,000 is available to fund 183 awards.

Information: Tom Stolle at (215) 814-3129 or stolle.tom@epa.gov; or go to:

http://www.epa.gov/oswer/docs/grants/epa-oswer-oblr-08-07.pdf.

GrantID: GD2977

Museums for America. *Institute of Museum and Library Services (IMLS)* announces funds to support projects and ongoing activities that build museums' capacity to serve their communities and strengthen a museum's ability to serve the public more effectively by supporting high-priority activities that advance the institution's mission and strategic goals. Funds can be used for a wide variety of projects, including: ongoing museum work; research and other behind-the-scenes activities; planning; new programs; purchase of equipment or services; and activities that will support the efforts of museums to upgrade and integrate new technologies.

Eligibility: Nonprofit organizations.

Deadline: November 1, 2008.

Funds: \$17,000,000 is available to fund 150 awards, ranging from \$5,000-\$150,000. A match is required.

<u>Information:</u> Sandra Narva at (202) 653-4634 or <u>SNarva@imls.gov</u>; or go to:

http://www.imls.gov/applicants/grants/forAmerica.shtm.

GrantID: GD2976

District Opportunities

Community-Based Violence Reduction Fund (CBVRF). The Office of the City Administrator (OCA)/Justice Grants Administration (JGA) announces funds to promote a focused, coordinated community response to violent crime in the Mayor's Focused Improvement Areas (FIAs). The mission of the FIA pilot initiative is to reduce criminal activity and increase quality of life in at-risk communities by combining community-policing efforts with the coordinated delivery of human services. The goal of the CBVRF is to reduce violence by encouraging collaborative efforts between communities and law enforcement, prosecution, judiciary, and private, nonprofit victim services agencies to address violence in at-risk communities. Program design should reflect familiarity with the Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention (OJJDP) Comprehensive Gang Model and a commitment to collaborating with District of Columbia Government Agencies. Interested, eligible applicants should also plan programs that include solicitation and adoption of community feedback to ensure that community needs are reflected in program design. In addition, JGA is soliciting feedback from the stakeholder community and



the people they serve to assist with designing the Request for Applications (RFA) for this grant opportunity.

Eligibility: Nonprofit and community-based organizations.

Deadline: October 20, 2008.

Funds: \$475,000 is available for 2-5 awards.

RFA Release: The RFA will be available in early/mid September.

<u>Information and Comments:</u> Brendon Miller at <u>Brendon.miller@dc.gov</u>; or go to: http://jga.oca.dc.gov or the

District Grants Clearinghouse http://www.opgd.dc.gov/opgd/cwp/view,a,1316,q,609787.asp.

District of Columbia Poverty Lawyer Loan Assistance Repayment Program. *Office of the Attorney General* (*OAG*) is seeking applications from qualified organizations interested in serving as the Administrator of the District of Columbia Poverty Lawyer Loan Assistance Repayment Program for fiscal years 2009 through 2011. As the Program Administrator, the successful applicant will be required to operate the Program in accordance with the Act and its accompanying rules. Applicants responding to this grant opportunity shall demonstrate their ability to successfully administer the Program.

Eligibility: Nonprofit organizations.

Deadline: September 22, 2008, at 5:00 p.m.

Funds: \$315,000 is available.

Information: Lafayette Barnes at (202) 727-8900 or lafayette.barnes@dc.gov; or go to:

http://www.opgd.dc.gov/opgd/cwp/view,a,1316,q,609787.asp.

GrantID: GD2984

Electronic Grants Clearinghouse. *The Mayor's Office of Partnerships and Grant Services* is the clearinghouse for the Government of the District of Columbia's grant programs. Notices and application packets are available for the following notices at: http://opgs.dc.gov/, select District Grants Clearinghouse.

District Agency	Funding Opportunity	Deadline
Department of Health (DOH)	FY 2009 Youth Substance Abuse Prevention Program	September 8, 2008
Department of Small and Local Business Development (DSLBD)	Commercial District Technical Assistance Program (CD-TAP)	Applications will be accepted on a rolling basis.

Foundation Opportunities

Community Organizing Grants. Catholic Campaign for Human Development (CCHD) announces funds to address the root causes of poverty in the U.S. through the support of community-controlled, self-help organizations and through transformative education. CCHD support projects in which poor and marginalized people join together to seek solutions to local problems and find ways to improve their lives and neighborhoods. Applying organizations must demonstrate a change from traditional approaches to poverty by attacking the basic causes of poverty and by effecting institutional change.

Eligibility: Nonprofit organizations, for-profit organizations, and community-based organizations.

Deadline: November 1, 2008.

Information: http://www.usccb.org/cchd/grants/criteria.shtml.

GrantID: GD2978

HIV/AIDS Services. *Children Affected by AIDS Foundation* provides support to HIV/AIDS service organizations throughout the U.S. in order to meet the pressing, unanticipated needs of HIV-impacted children and their families. Grants can be used for specific needs such as transportation to health and social services appointments, medications and medical co-pays, transitional housing assistance, food, etc.

<u>Eligibility:</u> Nonprofit organizations.

Deadline: Open deadline date.

Funds: Awards range from \$100-\$2,000.



Information: http://www.caaf4kids.org/.

GrantID: GD2979

Love Your Veggies Grant Program *The makers Hidden Valley Salad Dressing, School Nutrition Foundation, and Produce for Better Health Foundation* announce funds to support elementary schools programs to develop a program offering fresh produce, implemented as early as April 2009 and lasting through the 2009-2010 school year. Funds may be used for any of the following: the purchase of fresh produce; a vegetable station (such as a salad bar); kitchen equipment; program staffing; nutrition education supplies; or food safety training.

Eligibility: Independent school districts.

<u>Deadline:</u> November 7, 2008. <u>Funds:</u> Awards up to \$15,000.

Information: http://loveyourveggiesgrants.org/guildelines.php.

GrantID: GD2981

Mini Grants. *Pay It Forward Foundation* announces funds to support service-oriented projects identified by youth as activities they would like to perform to benefit their school, neighborhood, or greater community. Projects must contain a "pay it forward" focus, which is, projects must be based on the concept of one person doing a favor for others, who in turn do favors for others, with the results growing exponentially.

Eligibility: Nonprofit organizations, individuals, and community-based organizations.

Deadline: September 15, 2008. **Funds:** Award up to \$500.

Information: http://payitforwardfoundation.org/educators/grant.html.

GrantID: GD2983

Relatives as Parents Program (RAPP). Brookdale Foundation announces funds to encourage the creation or expansion of services for grandparents and other relatives who have taken on the responsibility of surrogate parenting. Grants can be used to: provide support groups and at least two other supportive services to relative caregivers and their families; encourage cooperation among various service delivery systems (i.e., child care, family services, and healthcare); ensure the development and future continuity of local services; and create replicable models of service.

Eligibility: City or township governments, county governments, and nonprofit organizations.

Deadline: December 4, 2008.

<u>Information:</u> Melinda Perez-Porter at mdlc@brookdalefoundation.org; or go to:

http://www.brookdalefoundation.org/relativesasparents.htm.

GrantID: GD2982

Supporting Youth and Skateboard Parks. *The Tony Hawk Foundation* announces funds to facilitate the design, development, construction, and operation of new quality skateboard parks located in low-income communities throughout the U.S. The Foundation looks for projects that can demonstrate a strong grassroots commitment, particularly in the form of fundraising by local skateboarders and other community groups. Priority is given to projects that are designed and built by qualified and experienced skateboard park contractors and include local skaters in the design process.

<u>Eligibility:</u> City or township governments, county governments, independent school districts, and nonprofit organizations.

Deadline: October 1, 2008.

Funds: Awards range from \$1,000-\$25,000.

Information: http://www.tonyhawkfoundation.org/grant application.asp.

GrantID: GD2980

Announcements and Resources

DC Convoy of Hope. 19th Street Baptist Church, Israel Baptist Church, and the National Community Church are sponsoring the Convoy of Hope, a national nonprofit organization that provides disaster relief and non-disaster outreach to those in need in the U.S. and around the world to host this year's Washington DC Convoy of Hope. The



Convoy of Hope outreach is a day-long event that works through local churches, nonprofit organizations, and government agencies to distribute free groceries, organize job and health fairs and activities for children. This year's event will provide FREE food, clothing and supplies to over 10,000 individuals and families (while supplies last). Giveaways include: groceries; hair-cuts; kids' bikes; clothing for the family; and family portraits. Other event features are: health fair, with health and dental screenings; kids' zone; job fair; resume preparation; games and activities for children. The event will be held on September 6, 2008, RFK Stadium, Lots 6 and 7, at C Street and Oklahoma Avenue, NE, at 10:00 a.m. (rain or shine). For further information, contact (202) 544-0414 or go to: www.convoydc.org.

Prudential Spirit of Community Awards. *Prudential Financial and the National Association of Secondary School Principals* honor middle and high school students for volunteer community service. Eligible applicants include any young person grades five through twelve who has engaged in a volunteer activity that occurred at least partly during the twelve months prior to the date of application. Deadline for applications is October 31, 2008. Local honorees are selected in November, and from these winners, two state honorees are chosen from each state and the District of Columbia. Ten national honorees are selected and announced at a ceremony in Washington, DC, in May of 2009. State Honorees receive an award of \$1,000 and an all-expense-paid trip to Washington, DC, for national recognition events. National Honorees receive an additional award of \$5,000. For further information, go to: http://www.prudential.com/spirit/.

Volunteering in American. *Corporation for National and Community Services (CNCS)* announces a website initiative that provides an in-depth look at volunteering trends, statistics, tools, and resources throughout the U.S. The website provides insight into who is volunteering, what types of volunteer activities they're doing, and what motivates them to begin and sustain their service. Comprehensive information on volunteering in all 50 states and 162 cities across the country is provided. Users can assess how states and cities rank by volunteer rates and volunteer hours, as well as other factors related to volunteering. For further information, go to: http://www.volunteeringinamerica.gov/.

Previous Announcements and Resources

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2009 SeaWorld/Busch Gardens Environmental Excellence Awards. SeaWorld & Busch Gardens Conservation Fund recognize outstanding efforts of students and teachers across the U.S. who work at the grassroots level to protect and preserve the environment. Projects must be sponsored by a school group such as a grade level, classroom, or club. The deadline for applications is November 28, 2008. Approximately 8 projects will be selected and receive \$10,000; an all-expenses-paid trip for three students and one adult leader to a SeaWorld or Busch Gardens park for a special awards event; 100 T-shirts to share with their school and community partners; and an award trophy and participation certificate for the project leader. For further information, go to: http://www.swbg-conservationfund.org/projects-Awards.html.

Christian Leaders Sabbaticals. *The Louisville Institute* awards funds to Christian religious leaders in the U.S. who are seeking a time for study, reflection, and rest for the renewal of their vocations. The program requires leaders to center on a theme of concern, topic of study, or focus of reflection designed to nourish vocational identity and commitment, refresh body and spirit while renewing relationships, and rekindle habits of heart and mind that sustain one for and in ministry. Eligible applicants include Christian clergy, church staff members, denominational staff, and others regularly employed in positions of Christian pastoral leadership, ordained and lay. The deadline for applications is September 15, 2008. Approximately 40 awards ranging from \$10,000-\$15,000 are available. The application deadline is September 15, 2008. For further information, go to: http://www.louisville-institute.org/Grants/programs/sgpldetail.aspx.

Environmental Curricula Grants. *Melinda Gray Ardia Environmental Foundation's* mission is to support educators in developing environmental curricula that integrate field activities and classroom teaching that incorporate basic ecological principles and problem solving. Eligible applicants include nonprofit organizations



and individuals. The deadline for applications is September 27, 2008. Awards up to \$1,500 are available. For further information, go to: http://www.mgaef.org/index.html.

Outstanding Young Leaders Honored. *Nestle USA* honors young people between 13 and 18 years of age who have excelled in school and are making their community and the world a better place. Nominees should have strong backgrounds in citizenship, school, community involvement, and reading. Honorees will be featured in a special publication and honored at a ceremony in Los Angeles, CA, in the summer of 2009. The deadline to submit nominations is November 20, 2008. Approximately 25 awards for \$1,000 will be donated in the name of each winner to the charity of his or her choice. For further information, go to: http://www.nestle-verybestinyouth.com/.

Partial Scholarships for Washington, DC Nonprofit Organizations. *The Foundation Center – DC* is offering partial scholarships to assist small, community-based nonprofit organizations in Washington, DC to attend its upcoming full-day training seminars. Eligible applicants include nonprofit organizations based in and serving the Washington, DC area with budgets under \$1,000,000. The application deadline is September 22, 2008, to attend any seminar (with the exception of the Grantseeker Training Institute) from November 2008 through January 2009. For further information, contact the Foundation Center – DC at (202) 331-1400.

Teach Award Program. *Best Buys* recognizes and rewards creative uses of interactive technology in K-12 classrooms. Winning programs focus on kids using technology to learn standard-based curriculum, rather than on teaching students to use technology or educators using technology that children aren't able to use hands-on. Eligible applicants include nonprofit K-12 public, private, parochial, magnet, and charter schools. The deadline for applications is October 12, 2008. Awards range from \$1,000-\$10,000. For further information, go to: https://bestbuyteach.scholarshipamerica.org/.

Teacher Grants. The School, Home, & Office Products Association Kids In Need Foundation announces funds to support K-12 educators with providing innovative learning opportunities for their students. The deadline for applications is September 30, 2008. Awards range from \$100-\$500. For further information, go to: http://www.kidsinneed.net/grants/index.php.

The City Recycling Challenge. The U.S. Conference of Mayors is accepting applications to reward cities for recycling aluminum beverage cans. Cities will compete against like-sized cities in four divisions determined by population. The following types of awards are being offered: Most Cans Collected awards will be presented to the city in each division that collects the most recyclable aluminum beverage cans between October 1 and October 31, 2008; Most Innovative Ideas awards will be presented to one city in each division for developing the most exciting ideas to promote aluminum beverage can recycling in their community; and Partner with Local Keep America Beautiful (KAB) Affiliate awards recognize cities that partner with their local KAB organization to create the most sustainable aluminum beverage can recycling initiative. The deadline to enroll is September 30, 2008. Awards range from \$2,500-\$5,000. For further information, go to: http://www.cans4cash.com/cansforcash/default.aspx.

Terri Lynne Lokoff/Children's Tylenol National Child Care Teacher Awards. The Terri Lynne Lokoff Child Care Foundation acknowledges the critical role of child care teachers in providing quality early care and education. Child care teachers from all fifty states and the District of Columbia will be selected for their commitment and dedication to the children they serve. Each applicant is asked to design an enhancement project for the children in their classroom illustrating the educational, social, and emotional benefits of the project. The deadline for applications is December 31, 2008. Approximately 50 awardees will receive \$500 - \$1000 as a stipend acknowledging each child care teacher's special dedication and \$500 to fund the classroom enhancement project they designed. One recipient will receive the Helene Marks Award and an additional \$1,000. Winners will be honored at an awards ceremony in Pennsylvania on April 1, 2009. For further information, go to: http://www.tllccf.org/pr_nccta.php.

Tools

All About Grants. *Grants.gov* announces its All About Grants page, a new applicant resource featuring content and information from all 26 federal grant-making agencies, affiliated grant associations and the applicant



community. This section of the website is focused on keeping the applicant up to date with grant information relevant to the applicant's needs, by providing a "tip of the month", webinars, events, tips and resources from grantors, articles and resources, and a listing of affiliated grant associations and organizations. For further information, go to: http://grants.gov/applicants/all_about_grants.jsp.

Effective Practices for Engaging At-Risk Youth in Service. *Youth Service America* announces a new publication designed to provide an overview of the underlying theory and effective practices for promoting service-learning for young people. Public officials, youth service and service-learning practitioners and teachers, researchers, and others whose mission is to plan and implement community service programs for youth will find this guide helpful. To review and download a copy, go to: http://tools.ysa.org/downloads/modules/Engaging_At-Risk_Youth_in_Service.pdf.

Innovations in Effective Compassion. White House Office of Faith-Based and Community Initiatives recently updated its Innovations in Effective Compassion Web site. On the site, you can explore ways the Faith-Based and Community Initiative has transformed government's approach to addressing human need, how nonprofits have been strengthened, and how faith-based and community groups have partnered with government to bring both help and hope to millions in need across America and beyond. The site includes a wealth of research, evaluations, practical tools, and other resources. For more information, go to: www.innovationincompassion.hhs.gov.

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